

Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 Leave No Trace ethics

- ◆ **Plan ahead and prepare:** Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- ◆ **Travel and camp on durable surfaces:** Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- ◆ **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- ◆ **Leave what you find:** Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- ◆ **Minimize campfire impacts:** Cook with a camp stove. Simply enjoy a candle lantern or the night sky.
- ◆ **Respect Wildlife:** Use carry-in/carry-out bear resistant food storage canister May 1st through October 31st. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- ◆ **Be considerate of other visitors:** Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

EMERGENCIES: In case of emergency, call Park Dispatch at (970) 586-1203 or 911. Map (over) shows the location of the nearest phone.

Site Location: Finch Lake is a shallow lake in a thick forest of lodgepole pine. All the campsites are located on the north side of the lake. The group site is located 30 yards northwest of the privy. A wood sign indicates the path to the site; the path may be marked by red arrowheads on trees. Camp safely away from dead trees, as near as is safely possible to the silver metal arrowhead.

Number of Sites: 2 individual; 1 group/stock

Privy: YES

Distance: 4.6 mi. from Finch Lake TH
5.3 miles from the Wild Basin TH

Elevation: 9,912 ft.

Elevation Change: 1,438 ft. gain from Finch LK TH
1,412 ft. gain from Wild Basin TH
1,392ft. gain from AllensPK TH

Estimated Travel Time: 3½ to 4 hrs.

Water Source: Water available from Cony Creek and Finch Lake. Boil or adequately treat all water.

Hitch rackTo Reach the Trailhead: Finch Lake TH: Drive south on Colo. Hwy. 7 via Mary's Lake Road for approx. 12.5 miles to the Wild Basin Road. Drive past the Wild Basin Inn and take the right hand fork to the Entrance Station. Follow the road for another two miles to the Finch Lake Trailhead on the left. A stock loading area is also in this area.

